

NEW SHOREHAM PORT HEALTH AUTHORITY

CHANTRY HOUSE,

SHOREHAM-by-SEA.

14th February, 1951.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report as Acting Medical Officer of Health for the year 1950, prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health.

During the past year 108 vessels, with a tonnage of 20,518 have arrived from foreign ports, and 1,088 coastwise vessels, with a tonnage of 362,964, have entered the Port. These figures compare with 76 foreign arrivals (13,530 tons) and 1,019 coastwise arrivals, (340,808 tons) for the previous year. The foreign arrivals show an increase of 32 vessels (6,988 tons), and coastwise arrivals show an increase of 69 vessels (22,156 tons), the combined totals being an increase of 101 vessels (29,144 tons). Passenger vessels and fishing vessels are not included in these totals.

The following tables give details of the above arrivals :-

1. AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING THE PORT DURING THE YEAR

Table A.

	Number	Tonnage	Number inspected		Number reported to be Defective	Number of vessels on which defects were remedied	Number of vessels reported as having, or having had, during the voyage infectious disease on board
			By the Medical Officer of Health	By the Sanitary Inspector			
Foreign	Steam	16	5,958	0	12	0	0
	Motor	92	14,560	0	47	0	0
	Sail	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	Fishing	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	Total Foreign	108	20,518	0	59	0	0
Coastwise	Steam	442	211,513	0	60	1	0
	Motor	646	151,451	0	65	2	0
	Sail	Nil	-	-	-	-	-
	Fishing	No. Record	-	-	-	-	-
	Total Coastwise	1,088	362,964	0	125	3	0
	Total Foreign & Coastwise	1,196	383,482	0	184	3	0

<u>Nationality of vessels.</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Places of Discharge.</u>		<u>No.</u>
British.	1076.	The Basin.	Hove.	43.
		Anglo-American Wharf	"	73.
Dutch	87.	Maxwells	"	4.
		Shell-Mex	"	77.
French	13.	Halls	"	97.
		Baltic	Portslade	5.
Norwegian	9.	Bakers	"	1.
		Wimpeys	"	19.
German	5.	Gas	"	182.
		Preston	"	43.
Swedish	4.	Regent	"	65.
		R.O.P.	"	6.
Belgian	1.	Cleveland	Southwick	51.
		Electricity	"	182.
Costa Rican	1.	Canal	"	3.
		Penneys	"	46.
		Turberville	"	73.
		Beves	Shoreham	9.
		Kingston	"	28.
		Chemical	"	5.
		New	"	47.
		Free	"	90.
		Tarmac	"	47.
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II. CHARACTER OF TRADE OF PORT

(a) Passenger Traffic.

Passenger steamers have called at Brighton Pier from Coastwise ports during the summer months.

(b) Cargo Traffic

Imports of foreign goods have included 24 cargoes of timber from Germany, Holland, Sweden, Finland, and U.S.S.R. 54 cargoes of fertilizer from Belgium, France, and Holland, 16 cargoes of vegetables from France, and six cargoes of slates and tiles from France and Belgium.

Coastwise cargoes have been principally coal (451 cargoes) from Dover, Grimsby, Hull, Goole, Hartlepool, Seaham, Sunderland, Tyne Ports, Blyth, Amble, Port Talbot, Barry, and Cardiff, and oil (387 cargoes) from Southampton and Thames Ports.

Other coastwise arrivals include 94 cargoes of shingle from Southampton, 47 cargoes of slag from Middlesbrough, 51 cargoes of stone from Berry Head, Porthoustock, Falmouth, Newlyn, Llandulais, and Guernsey, and 14 cargoes of potatoes from Ireland.

Exports during the year comprise 54 cargoes of scrap iron to Middlesbrough, Grangemouth, and Llanelli, and 8 cargoes of creosote and pitch to Billingham, Rochester, and French Ports.

(c) Foreign Ports from which vessels have arrived.

FRANCE :- Dieppe, Roscoff, St. Malo, Calais, Dunkirk, Granville, Rouen, Gravelines, Tournay Charente, La Pallice.

BELGIUM :- Antwerp, Ghent, Vilvoorde, Ostend.

HOLLAND :- Rotterdam, Amsterdam, Flushing, Delfzyl.
GERMANY :- Wismar.
SPAIN :- Bilbao.
DENMARK :- Koge.
SWEDEN :- Karlstad, Kristinehamn, Norrkoping, Skoghall,
Gothenburg, Kalmar.
FINLAND :- Wasa, Mantyluota, Kotka.
U.S.S.R. :- Mezen.

III. SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY

The water supply for the Port and for shipping is from the Brighton Corporation Waterworks. There are no water-boats used at the Port.

IV. PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS, 1933 & 1945.

Table C.

<u>Cases of Infectious Disease landed from vessels</u>		
<u>Disease</u>	<u>No of cases during the year</u>	<u>Average No. of cases for previous 5 years.</u>
Nil	Nil	Nil

No cases of infectious disease have been reported as occurring on vessels during the voyage and disposed of prior to arrival.

V. MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS.

Inspections and enquiries have been made in respect of rat infestation and no evidence of rat infestation has been found.

No "infected" or suspected" vessel from plague infected ports has arrived during the year.

The Port is not on the list of ports approved by the Ministry of Health for the issue of Deratisation and Deratisation Exemption Certificates in accordance with the provisions of the International Sanitary Convention of 1926. An agreement has been entered into under which the Southampton Port Health Authority execute and arrange for the employment of its officers in executing the provisions of Articles 19, 20 and 21 of the Regulations, relating to deratisation certificates and deratisation exemption certificates, in the district of this Authority.

VI. HYGIENE OF CREWS SPACES

Table J.

Classification of Nuisances.

Nationality of vessel	Number ins- pected during the year	Defects of original construction	Structural defects through wear and tear	Dirt, vermin and other conditions prejudicial to health.
British	116	0	1	1
Other Nations	68	0	0	1

Notices have been served in respect of the defects or nuisances found, all of which have been remedied.

VII. FOOD INSPECTION

Sixteen cargoes of green vegetables have arrived from France, and fourteen cargoes of potatoes from Ireland. These have all arrived in sound condition.

VIII. STAFF

The Staff of the Authority are part-time officers. I have acted as Medical Officer of Health since the retirement of Dr. A. G. K. Ledger. The Sanitary Inspector, Mr. J. W. Thurman, is also the Sanitary Inspector to the Shoreham-by-Sea Urban District Council.

Mr. A. H. Holt, Housing Manager of the County Borough of Brighton, acts as assistant Sanitary Inspector for the Port Health Authority for duties at Brighton, and Mr. T. A. Eardley, Sanitary Inspector to the Southwick Urban District Council, is deputy Sanitary Inspector.

In conclusion I desire to express my thanks to the Officer in charge of H. M. Customs for his valued co-operation at all times.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

ANTHONY J. PARTRIDGE,

Acting Medical Officer
of Health.

To the Chairman and Members of the
New Shoreham Port Health Authority.

